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TAGS: ETRD, EAGR

SUBJECT: HOUSE OR REPRESENTATIVES SUGAR HEARINGS AND RE-  
- QUIRED INFORMATION

REF: STATE 141876

1. THE FOLLOWING MESSAGE WAS SENT TO U.S. MISSION BRUSSELS  
FOR ACTION IN ADDITION TO POSTS IN OTHER SUGAR PRODUCING  
COUNTRIES. THE MISSION BRUSSELS INFORMS DEPARTMENT COMPLETE  
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INFORMATION IS UNAVAILABLE FROM EC HEADQUARTERS. POSTS

IN EC CAPITALS ARE THEREFORE REQUESTED TO RESPOND TO THE QUESTIONS RAISED. TEXT OF REFTEL FOLLOWS.

2. BEGIN TEXT. CHAIRMAN FOLEY OF THE HOUSE COMMITTEE ON AGRICULTURE HAS ANNOUNCED THAT HEARINGS WILL BE HELD BEFORE THE FULL COMMITTEE STARTING JULY 14, ON THE DOMESTIC AND INTERNATIONAL SUGAR SITUATION. FOLEY STATED HE IS SEEKING OPINIONS FROM ALL INTERESTED PARTIES WITHOUT ANY PRECONCEPTIONS AS TO WHETHER SUGAR LEGISLATION IS DESIRABLE AT THIS TIME. THE DEPARTMENT OF STATE (DEPUTY ASST. SEC. KATZ) WILL PROBABLY TESTIFY ON JULY 14. THE DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE WILL ALSO TESTIFY AT THAT TIME.

3. IN ORDER TO PREPARE FOR THE HEARING, POSTS ARE REQUESTED

TO SUPPLY MATERIAL ON THE FOLLOWING POINTS BY JULY 2, 1975. WE REALIZE THAT NOT ALL THE INFORMATION REQUESTED WILL BE READILY AVAILABLE, BUT WE WOULD APPRECIATE POSTS' BEST GUESSES OR BALLPARK ESTIMATES CLEARLY LABELED AS SUCH:

-- (A) WHAT IS THE CURRENT COST OF PRODUCTION FOR RAW SUGAR IN U.S. CENTS PER POUND, EXMILL IN THE HOST COUNTRY?;

-- (B) WHAT IS THE CURRENT RETAIL PRICE FOR REFINED SUGAR IN THE HOST COUNTRY IN U.S. CENTS PER POUND?;

-- (C) WHAT WAS THE UNIT VALUE FOR SUGAR EXPORTS IN 1974 IN U.S. CENTS PER POUND?;

-- (D) WHAT ARE PROJECTED RAW SUGAR PRODUCTION AND EXPORTS BY YEAR BETWEEN 1975 AND 1980?;

-- (E) WHAT SPECIFIC INVESTMENTS ARE BEING PLANNED OR UNDERWAY TO EXPAND PRODUCTION CAPACITY BETWEEN NOW AND 1980 AND WHAT ARE THEIR SPECIFIC CAPACITIES?;

-- (F) WHAT IS THE ESTIMATED GROWTH RATE OF DOMESTIC CONSUMPTION?;

-- (G) HAS THE HOST GOVERNMENT OR LOCAL INDUSTRY ENTERED LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

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INTO ANY LONG TERM EXPORT COMMITMENTS AND IF SO, WITH WHOM. FOR WHAT QUANTITIES AND HOW IS PRICE DETERMINED?;

-- (H) DESCRIBE EXTENT OF HOST GOVERNMENT PARTICIPATION, REGULATION, OR OTHER DIRECT INTERVENTION IN THE PRODUCTION, DOMESTIC MARKETING, PRICING AND EXPORT OF SUGAR.

4. BOTH STATE AND USDA APPRECIATE THE TIME CONSTRAINTS

IMPOSED AND THE COMPLEXITY OF THE TASK, BUT AS MUCH INFORMATION AS POSSIBLE IS NECESSARY IN ORDER TO PROVIDE THE FULLEST AND MOST UP TO DATE PICTURE OF THE CURRENT SITUATION AND OUTLOOK.

5. IN EVENT INFORMATION UNCHANGED FROM LAST FAS SUGAR REPORT SIMPLY CITE REFERENCE.

6. FOR MISSION BRUSSELS, WOULD APPRECIATE INFORMATION ON EC MEMBERS, JOINTLY OR INDIVIDUALLY. END TEXT. INGERSOLL

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